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June 17, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVE SUBMISSION OF FEDERAL COPS ENHANCEMENT OF  
COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT APPLICATIONS  
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Authorize the Sheriff to submit all grant applications to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office), requesting funding for the Enhancement of Community Policing Program.
2. Instruct the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign all necessary grant application documents in order for all the interested units within the Sheriff's Department to apply for the grant funding. The documents include:

Required Signature forms  
Assurance forms  
Certification forms

This includes all future grant application documents submitted by the Sheriff's Department to the Board Office prior to the application deadline of June 27, 2003. The Chair's original signature is required on all application documents. Facsimile signature stamps will not be accepted by the funding agency.

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### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The Federal COPS Office is seeking proposals to fund a variety of initiatives designed to enhance local law enforcement community policing efforts. An agency may submit multiple grant applications, as there are several topic areas to pursue. Projects may be funded for a minimum of one year and a maximum of two years. There is no matching of funds required under this solicitation. The funding ranges from \$50,000 to \$500,000, depending on the topic area pursued.

Topic areas that are being pursued by the Sheriff's Department are:

1. Open Topic, which encourages original and innovative proposals that support community policing efforts of local law enforcement;
2. Volunteers in Policing Services, which is to enhance the capacity of local law enforcement to utilize volunteers; and
3. Topic Focused Law Enforcement Technology Guides.

Since this solicitation is broad, with no matching funds required, there are several bureaus/units/stations, within the Sheriff's Department, that will be applying for the grant funding. Currently, the units/stations include: Carson Station, Communications and Fleet Management Bureau, Community/Law Enforcement Partnership Program, Data Systems Bureau, East Los Angeles Station, Industry Station, Lakewood Station, Lennox Station, Norwalk Station Operations Bureau, San Dimas Station, Santa Clarita Valley Station, Walnut/Diamond Bar Station, and West Hollywood Station.

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#### Implementation of Strategic Plan

Applying for the COPS Enhancement of Community Policing Program conforms with implementation of the County's Strategic Plan Goal No. 3: Organizational Effectiveness. The crux of the grant program is to ensure that service delivery systems are effective and efficient relating to community policing.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The COPS Enhancement of Community Policing Program will provide funding, from \$50,000 to \$500,000, with no match required, to fund a variety of community policing initiatives. The funding will pay for overtime, travel costs, supplies, general office items related to the program, and consultant costs. Other allowable costs are publications relating to the program, video production, and training development.

#### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The proposed award periods can range from one to two years, depending on the scope of the program. Each grant application submitted must have the original, signed grant application documents from the Governing Body. The applications are due to the Federal COPS Office by June 27, 2003. The application documents have been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

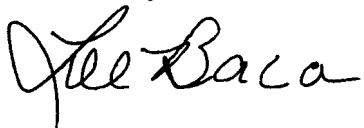
If the Sheriff's Department is awarded any funding from the Federal COPS Office, it will have a positive impact on current services. The potential funding, regardless of the nature of the program(s), will provide the Sheriff's Department additional resources to enhance its community policing efforts.

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**CONCLUSION**

Upon the Board's action, the Sheriff's Department needs to obtain four individually certified copies of the Board-adopted letter, along with original signatures on the applications forms. The Sheriff's Department's contacts for the requested Board action are Karen Anderson, Grants Manager, at (323) 526-5408 or Michelle Day, Grants Coordinator, at (323) 526-5212.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leroy D. Baca". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Leroy" and last name "Baca" clearly distinguishable.

LEROY D. BACA  
SHERIFF